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Planning Desserts to Meet the Rations

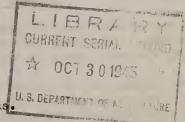
Industrial feeding establishments now have the most limited supplies of sugars and fate that they have had at any period during the war. Planning decreases that will appeal to workers and come within the rationed allowances of sugar and fats is indeed difficult. The outlook for increased supplies of these products is not encouraging, and industrial feeding managers should be provated to cope with short rations for many months to come.

What's Happened to the Sugar and Fats?

Supplies of fats and sugar for civilians are at the lowest level in many years and no relief is expected until the late spring or summer of 1946. Civilian consumption of fats and oils in 1945 is expected to be about 40 pounds per capita, as compared with an estimated 45 pounds consumed during 1944. The reasons for the short supplies of fats and oils may be summarized as follows:

- Carry-over stocks of fats and oils, especially lard, were very low.
- 2. Lard production has decreased.
- 3. Imports of fats and cils have been reduced because of wartime conditions.
- 4. Exports to liberated countries are expected to be larger this year than during 1944.
- 5. Military demands have increased.

The 1945 outlook for sugar is no more encouraging than the forecast for fats. Low stocks, smaller shipments from Cuba, and increased war demands have resulted in a decrease in the 1945 civilian supply of more than 1 million tons under that of last year. This means that the industrial





cafeteria manager will receive about 40 percent less sugar than he was allowed in 1944.

Should Desserts be Included on the Special Lunch?

In view of the short rations of fats and sugar, many industrial feeding managers may wonder if they should continue to serve desserts on the special lunch. This raises the question, "How important are desserts in the worker's lunch?"

The answer to that question is that dessert makes an important contribution to the energy value of the worker's lunch and may also supply valuable nutrients. An adequate lunch for an industrial worker should provide one-third or more of his daily energy requirements or at least 1,000 calories. The following meal pattern shows that the dessert may contribute 1/5 or more of the total energy value of a meal.

Food	Calorie Value
Meat, fish, poultry, or meat alternates Potato or cereal dish Hot vegetable or salad Bread and butter or fortified margarine One-half pint of milk Dessert	150 80 200
Total calories	. 1,000



A mid-shift meal that does not include a dessert is likely to fall short of being adequate in calorie value.

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Peaches for Tasty Desserts

One way of stretching rationed fats and sugar is to use fresh fruits in season for desserts. This month western peaches will be available and industrial feeding managers who have access to this supply should serve them frequently.

Fresh peaches may be served in a variety of ways. For example, whole, sliced, or in a fruit cup combined with blackberries, pineapple, oranges, or grapefruit. They may be stewed and sweetened with cane or corn sirup, using all sirup, or part sirup and part sugar.

Peaches may be used in pastry desserts to save processed food ration points. Fresh peach pie, peach cobbler, peach turn-overs, and peach shortcake are popular desserts. Some ways to save fat in these desserts are: Use a latticed crust to top the peach pie; and cut out shapes of pastry, bake them separately, and use them to top cooked peaches for wartime cobbler.

Budget Food as Well as Money

In order to continue serving desserts on reduced fat and sugar rations, the industrial feeding manager must budget his rations carefully. The first step is to

estimate the amount of rationed foods that can be used for desserts. The available amount of sugar may be allocated in the following manner:

	Pounds
Total sugar ration per week	180
Less amount used for sweetening beverages and other foods	50
Amount available for desserts	130

A similar estimate may be made for fats. When the quantities of sugar and fats that are available for use in desserts have been estimated, these amounts should then be used as a guide in planning desserts.

What Formula are you Using?

Dessert recipes should be checked for their fat and sugar content and those which are economical in the use of these rationed foods should be selected.

The following table shows the fat and sugar content of some common dessert recipes. The industrial cafeteria manager may make a similar table of the fat and sugar content of his own recipes. This will help him to estimate the total amount of fats and sugar required for the desserts on the week's menu, and to determine whether they can be prepared with the available fats and sugar.

Fat and Sugar content of common desserts

	*: *	Amounts for 100 portions			
		Calories	Fa	t S	Sugar
	y	Per Portion	Pounds	Points 1	Founds
		A 4			
P	Plain cake with frosting	250	1.5	18	7.8
	Plain cake without frosting	200	1.5	18	3.8
	Devil's food cake with fresting	250	1.5	18	4.2
	Gingerbread	200	1.6	19	1.4
	Fruit pie, double crust	400	3.2	38	3.7
	Cream pie, single crust	300	1.6	19	3.0
	Cornstarch pudding	200	-	-	3.0
	Bread pudding	200	-	-	3.0
	Fruit gelatin (sweetened)	100	-	-	-
	Fresh fruit, stewed	100	-	-	3.0
	Fresh fruit, raw	50-100	-	-0 to	2.0

Iced cake requires much more sugar than uniced cake. The amount of sugar used in the icing would be enough to use in a pudding or would be sufficient to sweeten fresh fruit. Likewise, the fat used in a double-crusted fruit pie would be enough to make crusts for one cream filled and one opened-faced fruit pie.

Stretch Your Sugar Ration

The quantity of sugar in many recipes may be reduced by the use of sugar substitutes. Corn and came sirup and honey may be used in baked products to replace part of the sugar in the recipe. Directions for using sugar substitutes and other ways of saving

sugar may be found in the publication "Saving Sugar in Industrial Feeding." 1/

Some cakes and puddings may be made from prepared cake mixes and pudding powders. However, the allotment of sugar and fats used in the manufacture of these products has also been restricted, so the supply of them is limited.

Use Fats Sparingly

Unfortunately, there are no substitute's for fats. Usually it is not satisfactory to decrease fat in a recipe because a product of inferior quality may result. Therefore, either fewer products containing fats should be prepared, or recipes that use a relatively small amount of fats should be selected.

Close cooperation of chefs and pot washers can save many pounds of fat from going into garbage cans and down sink drains. Remember, however, that meat drippings and excess fats are worth more than the salvage value if they are used in place of new fats. Suggestions for the care and use of meat fats were given in the March 1945 issue of "Serving Many."

Some suggestions are given for saving fats and sugar in the preparation of baked products. These may be used to remind bake shop employees of the importance of conserving these rationed materials.

Post this in your bake shop:

Conserve Fat and Sugar in Baked Products

- 1. Use standardized recipes and follow them carefully.
- 2. Weigh all materials accurately.
- 3. Remove all shortening from the original container.
- 4. Scrape out mixing bowls thoroughly.
- 5. Roll pie crust to a uniform thickness.
- 6. Re-use pie dough trimmings as soon as possible.
- 7. Use one-crust pies often. Make latticed topped or open-faced fruit pies instead of two-crust pies.
- 8. Use only enough pan grease to prevent sticking.
- 9. Make sheet cakes instead of layer cakes
- 10. Ice only the tops of cakes.

Special Lunch Menus for August 1945

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Cheese fondue
Fresh green beans
Carrot and peanut salad
Whole-wheat rolls with butter or
fortified margarine
Plain cake with marmalade frosting
Milk

Veal chow mein
Boiled rice
Garden lettuce salad
Whole-wheat bread with butter or
fortified margarine
Fresh peach pie
Milk

3.

Salad plate:
Cottage cheese
Fresh fruit salad
Celery curls
Peanut butter muffins with butter
or fortified margarine
Chocolate-nut pudding
Milk

5.
Scalloped fish
Parsleyed new potatoes
Sliced tomato salad
Whole-wheat bread with butter or
fortified margarine
Fruit gelatine
Beverage

Roast shoulder of lamb with dressing Browned new potatoes
Cabbage and carrot salad
Enriched bread with butter or fortified margarine
Fresh peaches
Milk

9.
Frankfurters
Potato salad
Summer squash
Enriched rolls with butter or
fortified margarine
Fresh peach cobbler
Milk

Braised liver
Scalloped potatoes
Fresh greens
Whole-wheat bread with butter or
fortified margarine
Lemon chiffon pudding
Beverage

Neal loaf with gravy
Mashed potatoes
Fresh beets and greens
Enriched bread with butter or
fortified margarine
Fresh sliced peaches
Beverage

Creole lima beans
Buttered carrot strips
Mixed green salad
Whole-wheat bread with butter or
fortified margarine
Baked custard
Milk

8.
Vegetable plate:
Hard-cooked egg salad
Corn-on-the-cob
Buttered green beans
Sweet pickle
Whole-wheat bread with butter or
fortified margarine
Fresh blackberry pie
Milk

Fish loaf with tomato sauce
New potatoes in jackets
Green peas
Enriched bread with butter or
fortified margarine
Fresh fruit cup
Milk

Scrambled eggs
Baked potato
Sliced cucumber and tomato salad
Enriched rolls with butter or
fortified margarine
Crumb pudding 3/
Beverage

1/ This publication may be obtained without charge from U. S. Department of Agriculture, Office of Supply, Commodity Credit Corporation, Western Union Building, Atlanta 3, Georgia.

2/ Recipe is in "Saving Sugar in Industrial Feeding," page 6.

3/ Recipe is in "Saving Sugar in Industrial Feeding," page 4.

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Salad plate:
Sliced lunche on loaf
Kidney bean salad
Sliced tomatoes
Graham muffins with butter or
fortified margarine
Gingerbread
Milk

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Chicken fricassee with noodles
Fresh buttered carrots
Chopped greens with French dressing
Whole-wheat bread with butter or
fortified margarine
Raspberry sherbet
Beverage

SUGGESTED SANDWICH FILLINGS

1. Peanut butter combined with:

citrus marmalade
minced cooked bacon
fresh chopped tomatoes
pickle or relish and salad dressing
finely chopped celery, olives and
pickle

top milk or evaporated milk ground dried prunes, raisins, or other dried fruit. Moisten with milk, fruit juice, or mayonnaise

2. Chopped nuts with:

ground dried fruit, combined with milk, cream, or fruit juice marmalade

imixed vegetables and dressing

3. Cottage cheese combined with:

jelly
salted peanuts
onion
chopped cooked bacon
tart pickles or relish
horseradish
olives and nuts

cucumber
olives
apple butter
pimento
chopped cooked bacon
chili sauce
relish and celery
peanut butter

4. Vegetable combinations:

lettuce and tomato
finely chopped cabbage, carrot,
green pepper and celery, salad
dressing
chopped carrot or cabbage and salted
peanuts, salad dressing

thin slices of cucumber and tomato with lettuce leaf and salad dressing chopped carrots, raisins and/or prunes and nuts with salad dressing

5. Hard cooked eggs combined with:

celery, pickles, mayonnaise, shredded carrot, relish, onion vinegar, mustard, and pickles shredded cabbage, pickles, and mayonnaise chopped clives and mayonnaise

6. Scrambled eggs with green pepper and perhaps a little bacon fat for flavor.

- 7. Honey, jelly, or marmalade, combined with butter or fortified margarine and used as a spread.
- 8. Savorybutter made by combining butter or fortified margarine with lemon juice, prepared mustard, and cayenne or any other desired seasoning as onion juice, Worcestershire sauce, celery salt, etc. Use it as a spread.
- 9. Sardines, salmon or tuna fish with chopped celery or cabbage. Hard cooked egg and pickles may be included if desired.
- 10. Ground ham or left-over meat, with carrots, and combined with a tart dressing.
- 11. Cooked liver with chopped celery and/or pickle. Season with onion juice and combine with mayonnaise.
- 12. Sliced liver loaf, meat loaf or salmon loaf.
- 13. Ground boiled meat or fowl, with chopped raw carrots and celery and flavorful dressing.
- 14. Corned beef, fresh cucumber relish or boiled eggs, onion juice, salt and mayonnaise.
- 15. Left-over meat with mixture of olives, celery, and mayonnaise.

Additional suggestions will be found on Fage 21 of "Planning Meals for Industrial Workers."

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